

Beaumont Fire-Rescue Services

PERFORMANCE BENCHMARKS

402.04A

Force Entry into a Structure

Discipline: Forcible Entry
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I. Objective

The firefighters shall force entry into a structure, given personal protective equipment, tools, and an assignment, so that tools are used as designed, the barrier is removed, and the opening is in a safe condition and ready for entry.

II. Instructions – Procedures for Achieving the Objective

You will be given a scenario to force entry into a structure. You will be wearing full personal protective equipment, and given assortment of tools. You will remove barriers and make the opening safe and ready for entry. You will begin on my instruction to start. The skill will end when you state to me that you have completed all of the identified steps. Do you understand these instructions?

III. Examiner's Note

The firefighter will not be allowed to review the performance steps at the time of testing.

IV. Preparation & Equipment

- A. Scenarios
- B. Hand and Power Tools
- C. Protective Equipment
- D. Forcible Entry Props

***NOTE:** The firefighter shall accomplish the skills wearing "FULL PROTECTIVE CLOTHING FOR STRUCTURAL FIREFIGHTERS" as required by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection to include helmet, gloves, coat, trousers, boots, and SCBA.*

V. Reference Sources

- A. TCFP, Performance Standards, Section 101 5.3.4.
- B. NFPA, National Fire Protection Agency 1001 3-3.3(b).
- C. IFSTA, Essentials of Fire Fighting, 4th Edition, pages 252-277.

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Name:	Officer #:
Company:	Shift:
Evaluator:	Officer #:
Date:	Location:

If the firefighter:

(No partial points given)

- a) **Quickly finds the best route to force entry**..... P/F _____
- b) Selects the proper tool(s)..... 1.0 _____
- c) Tools used as designed 2.0 _____
- d) Transports and operates hand and power tools safety..... 2.0 _____
- e) **Forcible Entry of doors , windows , and locks done correctly** P/F _____
- f) **Completes assignment correctly and safely**..... P/F _____
- g) Firefighter verbally states & demonstrates the safest method of forcing door
that resists being opened even after proper forcible entry methods have
been attempted P/F _____

Points Possible	Passing Score	Attempt	Performance Rating (Points)	PASS	FAIL
5	5	First			
		Second			

- Bold letters denotes mandatory passage of this step